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SOME NEW BOOKS

FORESTRY DIRECTORY, compiled by Tom Gill and E. C. Dowling. American Tree Association, 1943. 99 Am3F

Though primarily a directory, this book contains much very interesting reading material. It includes descriptions of the functions of many new organizations, such as the SCS and the TVA, and discusses complete forestry activities of the Department of the Interior. It presents revised data on the various fields of forestry and detailed statistics on Canadian forests.

THE FIELD SEED INDUSTRY IN THE UNITED STATES, by F. V. Beck. University of Wisconsin Press, 1944. 61 B38

The sub-title of this book gives an idea of its contents: An analysis of the production, consumption, and prices of leguminous and grass seeds. The chapter headings are: Development of the grass seed industry; Economics of production, distribution, and consumption of seed crops; Seasonal and geographic patterns of sales; Prices and price trends; Prices of seed in relation to other farm prices; Factors affecting seed prices; Commercial movement of seed crops. The publishers feel that the book should be of interest to the seed producer, the agricultural economist, the crop statistician, and the agronomist.

MEET THE FARMERS, A PERSONAL INTRODUCTION TO THIRTY MILLION AMERICANS, by Ladd Haystead. Putnam, 1944. 281.12 H33

The author of this intelligent and discerning picture of the farmers, their problems, limitations, and future, is the farm columnist of *FORTUNE*. He has tried in this book to reveal the farmers as they really are, the daily lives, the social mores, folklore, and superstition of and about farmers.

NATURAL PRINCIPLES OF LAND USE, by E. H. Graham. Oxford, 1944. 282 G76

In non-technical terms and pleasing style, NATURAL PRINCIPLES OF LAND USE deals with ways in which a knowledge of living things can be profitably applied to the management of land. The first few chapters discuss factors affecting the distribution of plants and animals. Systems of land classification are described. A practical scheme is outlined which determines the uses for which particular parcels of land are best adapted. Many instances of misuse of land are also described. Streams and ponds are discussed. A final chapter deals with the relation of land use to human welfare, culture, and society.

PLANTS AND VITAMINS, by W. H. Schopfer. Chronica Botanica, 1943. 463.34 Sch6

A critical review of the vitamin problem, written from the viewpoint of general physiology, transecting the various fields of biology, microbiology, plant and animal physiology, biochemistry, morphology, cytology, genetics, medicine, plant pathology, horticulture, and agriculture. The practical applications of vitamin research

are given special consideration. One reviewer has called the book "that rare thing: a complete textbook." It gives the conspectus of a new subject-- the need of plants for vitamins.

TVA-DEMOCRACY ON THE RIVER, by D. E. Lilienthal. Harper, 1944. 280.002 L62T

Of this book, Henry A. Wallace says, "Of all the books which I have read during the past twelve months, (this) is to me the most exciting. It is exciting because it describes the new democracy in terms as real as a juicy steak. Curiously enough, there is nothing in this book to offend nine out of ten businessmen. Lilienthal makes the TVA live as an example of how a government inspired project vastly increases the amount of free enterprise and prolongs it far into the future." Stuart Chase says, "This book has a long range importance and will be read by students all over the world for years to come." Louis Bromfield says, "This is an exciting book, to cheer any reader discouraged by the portents of the past twenty-five years. It is the record of a truly great achievement still in the process of healthy development."

SELECTED BOOKS AND BULLETINS

Agricultural Engineering

"Building a Sweep Rake," by M. E. Jones. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. 284. 1944.
Well illustrated.

FARMER'S SHOP BOOK, by L. M. Roehl. Bruce, 1942. 58 R62F

This well illustrated book has chapters on Grinding the farm tools; Fitting saws; Carpentry and woodworking; The farm workshop; Painting, repairing, and refinishing furniture; Ropework; Harness repairing and belt lacing; Fitting farm tool handles; Equipment and soldering; Working cold metal; Forging; Electricity for the farm and home.

"Longer Life For Fence Posts," by W. C. Kettles. South Carolina ext. ser. Cir. 262. 1944.

Discussion of preservative treatments.

"Money Saving Farm Building." From RETAIL LUMBERMAN, 1941.

Plans for a new type poultry structure.

"Practical Helps for Farm and Home." Republic Steel Corporation.

A collection of practical time and labor saving ideas, conservation suggestions useful information and frequently-used reference data for use on the farm and in the home.

"Prefabrication of Hog Structures." Douglas Fir Plywood Assn. 1942.

"Prefabrication of Small Poultry Structures." Douglas Fir Plywood Assn. 1942.

Both of these leaflets give plans.

PREPARATION OF ENGINEERING REPORTS, by T. R. Agg, and W. L. Foster. McGraw-Hill, 1935. 238 Ag3

This book was written from the standpoint of the engineer's need for producing reports that will best serve his interests in conveying ideas and the facts to support them in a way that will make them understandable and conclusive to the recipient. The book deals with the necessary elements of each type of report, showing where they go in the report, and how they should be handled in form and treatment. It also gives hints on the methods of obtaining outside information, suggestions on correct

English, pointers on style, methods of preparing graphs, maps, flow sheets, etc., list of correct technical abbreviations, and many other useful facts.

"Terracing With A Moldboard Plow," by R. G. White and E. H. Smith. Kansas ext. ser. Cir. 174. 1944.

This bulletin on the "Island System" of building terraces gives the exact procedure in word and picture.

Dairying

"A Dairy Action Program for Missouri," by A. C. Ragsdale and others. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. 283. 1944

Brief, practical articles by experts on various phases of dairying.

DAIRY FARMING IN THE SOUTH, by R. H. Thomas, P. M. Reaves, and C. W. Pegram. Interstate, 1944. 44 T362

This book was written primarily for the use of pupils enrolled in vocational agriculture classes. Some of the chapter headings are: Producing milk and dairy products for home use, Composition testing and value of milk, Value of milk in the diet, General breeding problems and practices, The herd sire, Caring for cow and calf, General problems in dairy feeding, Feeding practices, Pastures for dairy cattle, Silage for dairy cattle, Dairy buildings and equipment, Marketing dairy products, Common diseases and parasites of dairy cattle.

Home Economics

"Clothing for Children," by Ola Armstrong. Oklahoma ext. ser. Cir. 390. 1944.

FOOD SELECTION AND PREPARATION, by L. D. Sweetman. Wiley, 1943. 389 Sw32

An indispensable guide for nutritionists and home economists on how to select food for its benefit to health, how to buy it for best value, and how to prepare it to retain most vitamin content and palatability.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS, by Eleanor Howe. Appleton-Century, 1943. 321 H83

Here are hints on the preparation and preservation of food, the laundering and care of clothing, cleaning house, repairing curtains and shades, planning the kitchen, entertaining, gardening indoors and out, and a multitude of problems faced almost every day in the home. The book is unique in that there is no lengthy discussion; the household hints are given in short, snappy paragraphs designed first of all to be practical.

"Make-Overs From Coats and Suits," by C. L. Scott. USDA Misc. Pub. No. 545.

"Before and after" stories in picture, diagram, and word.

"Morale in the Home," by L. H. Stott. Nebraska ext. ser. Cir. 5-105. 1943.

Discussion of the importance of family morale, evaluating home life, and improving home environment.

"New Clothes from Old," by Martha Herrifield. Oklahoma ext. ser. Cir. 338. 1944.

"Pepping Up War Time Meals," by Mabel Doremus and M. E. Runnals. Nebraska ext. ser. Cir. 9961. 1943.

Brief discussion of efficient use of home preserved food, the daily food plan, the value of the pattern recipe with some suggestions for pattern recipes.

"Safety in the Home," by M. N. Whisnant and Elta Lajors. Alabama ext. ser. Cir. 273. 1944.

Suggestions for the prevention of various types of home accidents.

"Selection and Care of Footwear," by Ola Armstrong. Okla ext. ser. OP-95. 1944.

Horticulture

"Controlling Bagworm on Evergreens," by Leonard Maseman. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. No. 287. 1944.

"Methods of Growing Strawberries and Bramble Fruits," by D. C. Mooring and G. F. Gray. Oklahoma ext. ser. Cir. 133. Revised 1944.

NUT GROWER'S HANDBOOK, by C. D. Bush. Judd, 1941. 94.6 B96

A practical guide to the successful propagation, planting, cultivation, harvesting, and marketing nuts. The nuts considered are: chestnut, filberts and other hazels, the English walnut, black and other walnuts, pecan and other hickories, almond, pistachios, pine nuts, acorns, and chinquapins.

"Orchard Spray Calendar." Oklahoma ext. ser. Cir. 168. Revised 1944.

Discussion of the kinds of sprays to use for the various insects and diseases of apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries, and grapes.

SHRUBS AND TREES FOR THE SMALL PLACE, by P. J. Van Nelle. Scribner's, 1943.

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A discussion of the points of view from which shrubs should be considered, a score-chart scoring 363 shrubs and trees according to these viewpoints, and detailed descriptions of the trees and shrubs make up this book.

Leadership

NEW STRENGTH FOR NEW LEADERSHIP, by E. H. Schell. Harper, 1942. 140 Sch2

This book discusses how strength, courage, and faith are to be developed for today's needs, especially by those who are in a position of executive direction and leadership.

THE TECHNIQUE OF HANDLING PEOPLE, by D. A. Laird. Whittlesey House, 1943. 140 L14T

Thousands of new inexperienced executives and foremen feel acutely the need for some help to direct them in handling people. Dr. Laird has given eleven simple rules which will make your relations with others vastly more pleasant and fruitful--instantly useful rules no leader can safely neglect.

PENALTY FRANK

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3. When postage is used do not use a frank for an address label.
4. The book postage rate is four cents for the first pound and three cents for each additional pound.

Management

"A Guide To Better Management." U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. 1944.

TEXTBOOK OF OFFICE MANAGEMENT, by W. H. Leffingwell and E. L. Robinson. McGraw-Hill, 1943. 249.2 L52.

Effective office management requires that work be done quickly and well and that unnecessary work which causes delays and increases expenses without justification be eliminated. This book gives the principles of office management and their application to the problems confronting office managers.

Post-War Planning

AGENDA FOR PEACE. 280.9 Am34

This is the title of the July 1944 issue of ANNALS OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE. It contains the addresses delivered at the 1944 annual meeting of the Academy. Some of the addresses are:

Population Displacements in Europe
Binding of the Wounds of War
Soviet Russia's Contribution to Peace
The Small European Nations After the War
Toward International Economic Organization
The Foundation of Prosperity After the War
How To Win the Peace

"Rebuilding Europe After Victory." Public Affairs Pamphlet No. 81

"Suggestions for Attaining Post-War Objectives in Agriculture."

Supplemental statement by Secretary Wickard before the Agricultural Subcommittee of the House Special Committee on Post-War Economic Policy and Planning, August 31, 1944.

VITAL SPEECHES OF THE DAY.

The issue of February 15, 1944 contains:

"Financing Small Business After the War," by Robert A. Taft.

The basis of our free enterprise system.

"Foreign Economic Policy," by Leo T. Crowley.

Free flow of commerce among all nations essential to world security and prosperity.

"Preserve Self-Government," by Wendell L. Willkie.

Fiscal program for war and post-war period.

The issue for May 15, 1944 contains:

"Free Enterprise in the Post-War Period," by Robert Gaylord.

Business must respect the rights of others.

"International Economic Cooperation and Small Nations," by Josef Hanc.

A program of international action.

"Peace and World Order," by Lord Halifax.

Self-interest calls for cooperation.

"What Post-War Policies for Agriculture?"

Report of U. S. Department of Agriculture Interbureau and Regional Committees on Post-War Programs. Issued January 1944.

"The Winning Plans in the Pabst Post-war Employment Awards."

On December 1, 1943 Pabst Brewing Company announced awards totalling \$50,000

to be offered for the best and most practical solutions to the broad problems of post-war employment in the United States. This booklet presents the seventeen winning plans. One of them was written by Mr. Mordecai Ezekiel, Economic advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture.

LENGTH OF TIME BOOKS MAY BE KEPT

There is some misunderstanding about how long you may keep books borrowed from the library.

Most books may be kept two weeks; short books in great demand are sometimes charged for only a week or ten days; technical books not in demand at the time of the request may be kept for one month. You may always ask for a renewal if the statement that the book may not be renewed is not checked on the date due slip. When asking for a renewal, please state when the book was due.

You need not mail the book from your office until the date stamped on the date due slip in the book.

It is only current periodicals that may be kept three days--not books as some have thought.

Range and Pasture

"Crop Calendars For A Year-Round Pasture Program," by H. W. Staten. Oklahoma agri. expt. sta. Cir. C-116. July 1944.

"Improve Permanent Pastures with Lespodeza, Phosphate, Lime, and Supplementary Grazing," by E. H. Brown. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. 285. 1944.

"Soil Treatment to Improve Permanent Pastures," by A. W. Klemme. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. 289. 1944.

"Some Factors Affecting Cattle Use of Northern Arizona Pine-Bunchgrass Ranges," by G. E. Glendening. Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station Research Report No. 6. 1944.

"Timothy-Lespodeza Mixture," by C. A. Helm. Missouri agri. expt. sta. Cir. 288. 1944.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC AFFAIRS PAMPHLETS?

Freedom From Want: A World Goal. No. 80. 1943.

How Can We Pay For The War? No. 14. 1942.

Jobs And Security For Tomorrow. No. 84. 1943.

The Negro And The War. No. 71 (Reprinted). 1942.

The Races of Mankind. No. 85. 1943.

The Smiths And Their Wartime Budgets. No. 88. 1944.

What About Our Japanese-Americans? No. 91. 1944.

When I Get Out? Will I Find A Job? No. 86. 1943.

Why Race Riots? Lessons From Detroit. No. 87. 1944.



